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Application of: Beat MOLLET et al. Confirmation No.: 6428  
Application No.: 09/823,772 Group Art Unit: 1652  
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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER**  
**TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated June 19, 2003 of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 15-20 of the above-identified application.

The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

1.  An extension of time for responding to the final rejection for three month(s):  
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2.  A timely response to the final rejection was filed on September 18, 2003.
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